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Competitive Product Prices Priority Mail Contract 155 (MC2016-19) Negotiated Service Agreement

Docket No. CP2016-25

PUBLIC REPRESENTATIVE COMMENTS ON POSTAL SERVICE NOTICE OF AMENDMENT TO PRIORITY MAIL CONTRACT 155

(January 4, 2017)

The Public Representative hereby provides comments pursuant to the Commission Notice initiating this docket.¹ In that Notice, the Commission established the above referenced docket to receive comments from interested persons, including the undersigned Public Representative, on a Postal Service Notice of Amendment to Priority Mail Contract 155.²

The Postal Service's Notice includes a public (redacted) version of the Amendment to Priority Mail Contract 155. The Postal Service asserts that this amendment will not materially affect this product's cost coverage, and that the supporting financial documentation and certification filed initially in this docket remain applicable. Request at 1.

¹ PRC Notice Initiating Docket(s) for Recent Postal Service Negotiated Service Agreement Filings, December 27, 2016 (Notice).

² Notice of the United States Postal Service of Amendment to Priority Mail Contract 155, with Portions Filed Under Seal. December 22, 2016. (Request).

In Order No. 2851, the Commission approved the Postal Service's request to add a new product identified as Priority Mail Contract 155 to the Competitive Product List.³ The instant amendment amends the terms of Sections I.F and I.G.1 under this contract. The effective date for Contract 155 is two (2) business day following the day on which the Commission issues all necessary regulatory approvals. Request, Attachment A at 1.

COMMENTS

The Public Representative has reviewed the Postal Service's Notice of Amendment to Priority Mail Contract 155 and the financial data filed under seal at the initiation of this docket. Based upon that review, the Public Representative concludes that Contract 155, as amended, should continue to generate sufficient revenues to cover costs and thereby satisfy 39 U.S.C. § 3633(a) and thus should be approved by the Commission.

Finally, the Postal Service must file revenue and cost data for Contract 155 in future Annual Compliance Reports. This data will permit the Commission to annually review the financial results for Priority Mail Contract 155 in a future Annual Compliance Determination (ACD) report for compliance with 39 U.S.C. § 3633(a).

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³ See Order No. 2851 Order Adding Prioirty Mail Contract 155 to the Competitive Product List, December 4, 2015.

The Public Representative respectfully submits the foregoing comments for the Commission's consideration.

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